

Top 10 States

Performance improving

Middle 30 States

Performance staying about the same

Bottom 10 States

Performance declining

Economic Strength				
	Prior	Current	Rank	Progress
Unemployment	12.8%	12.4%		$\hat{\mathbb{T}}$
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	(2.7)%	(5.2)%		Ţ
Real personal income per capita	\$28,250	\$27,558		Ţ
Number of structurally deficient bridges	2,732	2,726	•	Û
Children living in poverty	19%	23%		Ţ

Health and Education				
	Prior	Current	Rank	Progress
Infant mortality (Per 1,000 births)	7.6	7.7		\bigcap
Obesity in the population	29.5%	30.3%		Û
3rd graders reading at grade level	87%	90%		Û
College ready (Average ACT score)	19.6	19.7		Û
Population with bachelor's degree or higher (25+ years old)	24.7 %	24.6%		Ţ

Value for Government				
	Prior	Current	Rank	Progress
Bond rating (Standard & Poor's)	AA-	AA-		
Debt burden per capita	\$766	\$748	•	Û
Access to state government – number of online services	325	357		Û
State government operating cost as a percent of GDP	11.9%	12.5%		Ţ
State and local government operating cost as a percent of GDP	21%	22.0%		Û

Quality of Life				
	Prior	Current	Rank	Progress
State park popularity – annual visits per citizen	2.1	2.1		$\langle \Box \rangle$
Clean and safe water resources – water quality index	83	88		Û
Population growth (Ages 25 – 34)	(1.9) %	(1.6)%		17

Public Safety				
	Prior	Current	Rank	Progress
Violent crimes per 100,000	501	497		$\hat{\mathbb{T}}$
Property crimes per 100,000	2,935	2,838	•	Û
Individuals fatally or seriously injured in traffic accidents	7,705	7,382		Û

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